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E. M. LOCKWOOD, ...*Assistant Secretaries.*

J. S. PETTY.....*Recording Secretary.*

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J. D. ROBERSON, ...*Statistical Secretaries.*

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TRUSTEES OF CONFERENCE.

Spencer Henry, J. W. Mann, J. A. Ruble, G. W. Coleman. Time expires in 1879.

W. C. Daily, W. H. Rogers, J. B. Little. Time expires in 1880.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES.

For Admission—W. M. Haskell, J. M. Durham, H. H. Burk.

1*st year*—B. Crist, T. R. West, E. M. Lockwood.

2*d year*—S. A. Winsor, P. H. Reed, M. Seaton.

3*d year*—J. F. Spence, R. O. Ayres, J. R. Hughes.

4*th year*—D. B. Lawton, T. W. Brown, A. J. Greer.

For Local Deacons—S. Henry, W. Kinsland, L. Bogart.

For Local Elders.—J. H. Jennings, J. F. Morrison, W. R. Long.

TRIERS OF APPEALS.

F. M. Fanning, D. B. Lawton, W. C. Graves, J. J. Manker, W. C. Daily, J. W. Mann, N. G. Taylor.

TO PREACH MISSIONARY SERMON.

J. W. Mann. Alternate, W. C. Graves.

ORDER OF TAKING COLLECTIONS.

First Quarter—Sunday School and Tract.

Second Quarter—Episcopal Fund, Freedmen's Aid and Bible Society.

Third Quarter—Missionary and Church Extension.

Fourth Quarter—Education and Superannuated Preachers.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

1. Robert O. Ayres, Chatata, Tenn.
2. *Jonathan N. Baker*,* Chucky Valley, Tenn.
3. *William B. Ballenger*, Cleveland, Tenn.
4. Marion Bell, Nashville, Tenn.
5. Lemuel Bogart, Sevierville, Tenn.
6. William Bluford, Taylorsville, Tenn.
7. Thomas W. Brown, Pigeon Valley, N. C.
8. Andrew J. Bruner, Laurel Gap, Tenn.
9. Hilton H. Burk, Sweetwater, Tenn.
10. Milton R. M. Burk, Blue Springs, Tenn.
11. L. B. Caldwell, Athens, Tenn.
12. J. L. Cardwell, Limestone, Tenn.
13. DANIEL CARTER,† Flat Gap, Tenn.
14. Thomas A. Cass, Wartburg, Tenn.
15. Elbert B. Clark, Sevierville, Tenn.
16. George W. Coleman, Athens, Tenn.
17. *Francis M. Cones*.
18. Adam F. Creswell, Hendersonville, N. C.
19. B. Crist, Coal Creek, Tenn.
20. Wm. C. Daily, Cleveland, Tenn.
21. C. G. Deming.
22. James M. Durham, Knoxville, Tenn.
23. *A. F. English*.
24. FRANK M. FANNING, Avery's Creek, N. C.
25. James B. Fitzgerald, Fullen's, Tenn.
26. John B. Ford, Cleveland, Tenn.
27. John Forrester, Glades, Tenn.
28. Wm. C. Graves, Morristown, Tenn.
29. Andrew J. Greer, Tazewell, Tenn.
30. Samuel Greear, Kingston, Tenn.
31. ROBERT H. GUTHRIE, Harrison, Tenn.
32. Wm. M. Haskell, Knoxville, Tenn.
33. George W. Heninger, Taylorsville, Tenn.
34. SPENCER HENRY, Maryville, Tenn.
35. Thomas H. Hodge, Loudon, Tenn.
36. David S. Hodsden, Sevierville, Tenn.
37. John R. Hughes, Johnson City, Tenn.
38. Samuel W. Hyden, Maryville, Tenn.
39. John H. Jennings, New Market, Tenn.

*Names in *Italics* are Supernumeraries.
†Names in SMALL CAPITALS are Superannuates.

40. George Julian, Chatata, Tenn.
41. Wm. Kinsland, Spring House, Tenn.
42. James D. Lawson, Wear's Cove, Tenn.
43. Daniel B. Lawton, Knoxville, Tenn.
44. Joshua B. Little, Fincastle, Tenn.
45. Edwin M. Lockwood, Cleveland, Tenn.
46. Wm. R. Long, Williamsburg, Tenn.
47. Carroll S. Long, Asheville, N. C.
48. Wm. Lucas, Ducktown, Tenn.
49. John W. Mann, Athens, Tenn.
50. Jacob Mann, Marion, Tenn.
51. John J. Manker, Greeneville, Tenn.
52. Charles K. Mays, Russellville, Tenn.
53. Aaron P. Melton, Chattanooga, Tenn.
54. Joseph P. Milburn, Graysburg, Tenn.
55. John N. Moore, Knoxville, Tenn.
56. John F. Morrison, Locust Spring, Tenn.
57. James F. Perry, Washington, Tenn.
58. Adam C. Peters, Wartburg, Tenn.
59. John S. Petty, Cleveland, Tenn.
60. Ralph Pierce, New Market, Tenn.
61. Henry Pyle, Loy's X Roads, Tenn.
62. Patrick H. Reed, Flat Gap, Tenn.
63. Daniel Richardson.
64. James D. Roberson, Kingsport, Tenn.
65. Wm. H. Rogers, Cleveland, Tenn.
66. James A. Ruble, Maryville, Tenn.
67. Matthew A. Rule, Rogersville, Tenn.
68. Thomas H. Russell, Knoxville, Tenn.
69. Thomas B. Russell, Fall Branch, Tenn.
70. James B. Seaton, Ellijoy, Tenn.
71. Moses Seaton, Horse Creek, Tenn.
72. Clemm Shaw.
73. James R. Shultz, Jonesboro, Tenn.
74. Wm. D. Smith, Cleveland, Tenn.
75. John F. Spence, Knoxville, Tenn.
76. Wilson Stark, Asheville, N. C.
77. John C. Tate, Clinton, Tenn.
78. Nathaniel G. Taylor, Knoxville, Tenn.
79. John G. Trull, Bakersville, N. C.
80. Thomas S. Walker, Knoxville, Tenn.
81. Albert G. Watkins, Mossy Creek, Tenn.
82. Benjamin F. Wells, Asheville, N. C.
83. Thomas R. West, New Market, Tenn.
84. S. A. Winsor, Chattanooga, Tenn.
85. Rufus M. Witt, Coco Creek, Tenn.
86. *John F. Woodfin*, Boylston, N. C.
87. *Absalom B. Wright*, Travisville, Tenn.
88. James C. Wright, Kingston, Tenn.

PROBATIONERS.

Philip M. Bewley, Newport, Tenn.
Mark W. Broyles, Leicester, N.C.
John W. Burnett, Crossville, Tenn.
Andrew J. Fletcher, Russellville, Tenn.
Pleasant H. Henry, Madisonville, Tenn.
Owen M. Hypsher, Thorn Hill, Tenn.
George W. Jarvis, Huntsville, Tenn.
Alexander Jordan, Russellville, Tenn.
James Jory, Ducktown, Tenn.
Joseph A. Nicholson, Victoria, Tenn.
Thomas F. Robeson, Parrottsville, Tenn.
James J. Robinett, Jasper, Tenn.
Samuel B. Scott, Beaver Ridge, Tenn.
William T. Senter, Panther Springs, Tenn.
George M. Stone, Pinhook, Tenn.
Joseph W. Wells, Kingston, Tenn.

APPOINTMENTS.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

J. A. Ruble, Presiding Elder.
Knoxville, 1st Church, N. G. Taylor.
Knoxville, 2d Church, J. M. Durham.
Knox Circuit, J. B. Little.
Campbell Station, J. N. Moore.
Thorn Grove, J. B. Seaton.
Little River, T. S. Walker.
Sevierville, E. B. Clark.
Fair Garden, D. S. Hodsden.
New Market, J. H. Jennings.
Maryville, J. D. Lawson.
Madisonville, Pleasant H. Henry
Loudon, T. H. Hodge.
R. Pierce, President and Financial Agent of Holston Seminary, member of New Market Quarterly Conference.

POWELL'S VALLEY DISTRICT.

W. C. Graves, Presiding Elder.
Fincastle, L. Bogart.
Jacksborough, W. Kinsland.
Clinton, B. Crist.
Huntsville, G. W. Jarvis.
Clear Fork, J. Forrester.
Speedwell, A. J. Greer.
Tazewell, H. Pyle.
Thorn Hill, supplied by W. H. Harrison.
Maynardville, W. T. Senter.
Rutledge, A. G. Watkins.
Sneedville, W. M. Haskell.

GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. Mann, Presiding Elder.
Greeneville, J. J. Manker.
Greeneville Circuit, A. J. Bruner and J. B. Fitzgerald.
Rheatown, J. S. Cardwell and J. P. Melburn.
St. Clair, M. Seaton.
Fall Branch, T. B. Russell.
Jonesboro' and Telford, J. R. Shultz.
Jonesboro' Circuit, J. F. Morrison.
Elizabethton and Johnson City, J. R. Hughes.
Taylorsville, G. W. Heninger.
Kingsport, J. D. Roberson.
Bakersville, J. G. Trull.
Rogersville, M. A. Rule.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

W. C. Daily, Presiding Elder.
Asheville, C. S. Long.
Asheville Circuit, W. Stark.
Hendersonville, A. F. Creswell.
Catawba, to be supplied by D. M. Clayton.
McDowell, to be supplied by F. M. Pressley.
Leicester M. W. Broyles.
Waynesville, T. W. Brown.
Webster, to be supplied by T. J. Dawson.
Newport and Wilsonville, T. F. Robeson.
Cosby, D. Richardson.

Parrottsville, P. H. Reed.
Morristown, T. R. West.
Mossy Creek, P. M. Bewley.
T. F. Robeson, Principal of Parrottsville High School.
C. S. Long, President in Candler College.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

J. S. Petty, Presiding Elder.
Chattanooga, S. A. Winsor.
Ooltewah, W. R. Long.
Cleveland Circuit, Jas. Jory, jr.
Chatata, R. O. Ayres.
Sewee, G. M. Stone.
Athens and Cleveland, E. M. Lockwood.
Athens Circuit and Riceville, G. W. Coleman.
Blue Spring, G. Julian.
Ducktown, W. Lucas.
Murphy, R. M. Witt.
J. F. Spence, President, L. B. Caldwell, Professor, East Tennessee Wesleyan University, members of Athens Quarterly Conference. J. B. Ford, Agent of the Sunday-School Union of the M. E. Church for the South, member of the Cleveland Quarterly Conference. W. H. Rodgers, Bible Colporteur, member of Chatata Quarterly Conference. M. R. M. Burk, Principal of Johnson Seminary and member of Blue Spring Quarterly Conference.

KINGSTON DISTRICT.

T. H. Russell, Presiding Elder.
Kingston, J. C. Wright.
Kingston Circuit, H. H. Burk.
Scarborough, S. B. Scott.
Wartburg, A. C. Peters.
Jamestown, T. A. Cass.
Crossville, J. W. Burnett and A. B. Wright, Supernumerary.
Pikeville, S. Greear.
Hamilton, W. D. Smith.
Washington, J. F. Perry.
Jasper, Joseph A. Nicholson.
Battle Creek, J. J. Robinett.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.

D. W. Hays, Presiding Elder.
Chattanooga, A. P. Melton.
Marion Circuit, J. Mann.
Chattanooga Circuit, to be supplied.
Washington Circuit, to be supplied.
Kingston Circuit, J. W. Wells.
Brush Creek, to be supplied.

RUSSELLVILLE DISTRICT.

C. K. Mayes, Presiding Elder.
Knoxville, to be supplied.
Ebenezer, O. M. Hypsher.
Limestone, supplied by S. Gillespie.
Midway, A. Jordan.
Sevierville, supplied by L. Johnson.
Russellville, A. J. Fletcher.
Hawkins, to be supplied.
Mineral Hill, to be supplied.
Coal Creek, to be supplied.
Watauga, W. Bluford.
Robertsville, to be supplied.
J. C. Tate, Agent for the Sunday School Cause among the colored people within the Conference and member of the Coal Creek Quarterly Conference.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. *Have any entered this Conference by transfer or re admission?*

L. B. Caldwell, transferred from Savannah Conference, and Wilson Stark, re-admitted on certificate of location from Missouri Conference.

2. *Who are admitted on trial?*

J. W. Burnett, P. H. Henry, J. Jory, J. P. Nicholson and J. J. Robinett.

3. *Who remain on trial?*

P. M. Bewley, M. W. Browles,* A. J. Fletcher,* O. M. Hypsher,* G. W. Jarvis, A. Jordan,* T. F. Robeson, S. B. Scott, W. T. Senter, G. M. Stone, J. W. Wells.

4. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

None.

5. *Who are Deacons of the First Class?*

M. R. Burk, A. F. Creswell, F. M. Cones, Wilson Stark, J. C. Wright and Jacob Mann.

6. *Who are Deacons of the Second Class?*

D. S. Hodsden, C. S. Long, A. C. Peters, J. D. Roberson, M. Bell, M. A. Rule, T. B. Russell and A. G. Watkins.

7. *Who have been Elected and Ordained Elders?*

A. J. Bruner, T. A. Cass, G. W. Heninger and T. H. Hodge.

8. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

J. N. Baker, W. B. Ballenger, F. M. Cones, A. F. English, J. F. Woodfin and A. B. Wright.

9. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

D. Carter, F. M. Fanning, R. H. Guthrie, S. Henry, D. B. Lawton and B. F. Wells.

10. *Was the Character of each Preacher examined?*

It was.

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*To be examined also in first year's course.

11. *Have any located?*

P. L. Chambers, W. M. Cline, G. A. Gowin, A. F. Shannon, J. Yarnell.

12. *Have any withdrawn?*

None.

13. *Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?*

Wm. McKinley to Minnesota, and R. W. Patty to Oregon Conference.

14. *Have any been expelled?*

None.

15. *Have any died?*

None.

16. *What is the Statistical Report?*

Members	21,478	
Probationers	2,636	
Local Preachers	295	24,409
Aggregate last year		21,223
Increase		3,186

17. *What are the claims upon the Conference Fund?*

18. *What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?*

See Stewards' report.

19. *Have any Local Preachers been ordained?*

Jesse J. Palmer, Alvis Brogan, Jas. N. Bonham, Adam V. Snavely, Martin V. Barnett, J. H. McNutt, Thos. A. Davis, E. J. Hyatt, and Jos. A. Nicholson, Deacons.

20. *Are any of our Literary and Theological Institutions under the control and patronage of this Conference, and what is their condition?*

See Report on Education.

21. *Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?*

See page 3

22. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*

See appointments.

23. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*

Knoxville, Tenn.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

M. E. Church, New Market, Tenn.,
Wednesday, October 2, 1878.

The Holston Conference convened according to appointment promptly at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Bishop Scott, in opening the session, read the second Psalm, and a part of the X chapter of the Gospel by Matthew, and announced the 707 hymn, after the singing of which prayer was offered by F. M. Fanning and W. R. Long.

The election of Secretary being in order, J. J. Manker and J. W. Mann were placed in nomination, and on motion it was decided to take the vote by ballot. F. M. Fanning and W. C. Graves were appointed tellers, who, having collected and counted the votes, announced the result, and J. J. Manker was declared elected.

The roll was then called by the Secretary, sixty-three members answering to their names.

C. S. Long was chosen Statistical Secretary.

J. W. Mann and E. M. Lockwood were elected Assistant Secretaries, and J. S. Petty Recording Secretary.

The bar of the Conference was fixed to include the first five pairs of pews, counting forward from the altar.

The hour for meeting was fixed at 8:30, A. M., and 11:30, A. M., for adjourning.

The Bishop stated that the Conference was entitled to draw on the Chartered Fund for $30, and a draft for that amount was ordered.

The following paper relating to Statistics was presented, and, on motion, adopted:

Whereas, It is of great importance that our statistics be made full, accurate and reliable; and,

Whereas, There has sometimes been much difficulty in

making up the consolidated statistical tables on account of late and otherwise unsatisfactory returns from some of the pastoral charges; therefore,

Resolved, That the reception of all reports involving statistics be made the special order for to-morrow (Thursday) at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Resolved, That in receiving said reports the following plan shall be observed:

1. At the appointed hour the Statistical Secretary, the Treasurers of the Conference Missionary Society, Conference Board of Church Extension, Conference Education Society, and Conference Sunday-School Society, and the Chairmen of the Board of Stewards, and of the Committees on Freedmen's Aid Society, Tracts, Episcopal Fund, and American Bible Society, shall arrange themselves within or in front of the altar in the order named, each in readiness to receive the reports due to the interests severally represented by them.

2. The Conference roll shall then be called and each preacher as his name is announced shall come forward and present his several reports to the representatives of the societies and committees designated to receive the same. Envelopes containing financial returns should be sealed and plainly marked. Each preacher having presented his reports as above, and having retained a copy of his statistical report shall immediately read his statistics before the Conference, in order that the several parties who have received his reports may note any discrepancies between the report read by its author and the report made to them respectively.

3. When the reports shall have been handed in as above contemplated, the parties having received the same, shall meet together on the call of the Statistical Secretary, when in the presence of the Committee on Statistics the envelopes shall be opened and the amounts enclosed compared with the amounts stated in the reports and on the envelopes. If any discrepancy be discovered let the money be again enclosed in the envelope and delivered to the Committee on Statistics, who shall immediately confer with the member who made the report in order that the mistake may be corrected.

4. If any member should fail to report at the proper time

the Committee on Statistics shall wait on him and obtain his reports without delay, comparing and verifying the same before delivering them to the several treasurers, &c.

Resolved, When the statistical tables are completed they shall be read in detail before the Conference for final revision and approval.

On motion, John R. Hughes was elected Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society in place of R. W. Patty, transferred.

Rev. Dr. Mitchell, of Georgia Conference, Mr. A. B. Jones, of the Atlanta Depository, Rev. Mr. Vaughn and Rev. John Parrott, of the M. E. Church, South, were introduced.

M. Seaton was appointed on the Committee on Conference Relations in place of N. G. Taylor, absent.

The Committee on Nominations presented their report, which was adopted, as follows:

The committee appointed to prepare a list of the usual standing committees present the following as their report:

On Education—J. F. Spence, J. J. Manker, R. Pierce and C. S. Long.

On Church Extension—T. S. Walker, A. J. Bruner, D. Richardson.

Freedmen's Aid Society—A. J. Greer, T. W. Brown and J. N. Moore.

Temperance—J. R. Hughes, H. H. Burk and J. M. Durham.

Missions—The Presiding Elders.

Sunday-Schools—J. B. Ford, J. R. Shultz and J. D. Roberson.

On Tracts—W. M. Haskell, B. Crist and E. B. Clark.

Book Concern Accounts—M. Seaton, R. O. Ayres and W. Kinsland.

Auditing Committee—P. H. Reed and G. W. Coleman.

Stewards—L. Bogart, G. W. Heninger and T. H. Hodge.

Postoffices—J. M. Durham, M. A. Rule, T. B. Russell, A. F. Creswell, G. W. Heninger, W. R. Long, J. W. Wells and Wm. Bluford.

Public Worship—F. M. Fanning, J. H. Jennings, Thos. R. West, R. Pierce and J. C. Tate.

CHURCH LITERATURE—W. C. Daily, G. W. Coleman and D. B. Lawton.

STATISTICS—W. Lucas, T. A. Cass and J. D. Lawson.

BIBLE SOCIETY—W. H. Rogers, J. F. Morrison and S. Henry.

NEW YORK BOOK CONCERN—W. Kinsland.

EPISCOPAL FUND—A. F. Creswell.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS—J. W. Mann, E. M. Lockwood and D. S. Hodsden.

FRATERNITY—W. C. Graves, N. G. Taylor, J. J. Manker, J. W. Mann and J. A. Ruble.

The *Third Question* was taken up, under which Samuel B. Scott, Geo. W. Jarvis, Wm. T. Senter and Geo. M. Stone were advanced to the class of the Second Year, each having been favorably represented by the Examining Committee, and having reported their Missionary Collections, their characters also having passed.

M. W. Broyles not being present, his character was passed, and he was continued in the class of the First Year.

The *Sixth Question* having been taken up, the characters of A. J. Bruner and D. S. Hodsden were approved, and on the recommendation of the Examining Committee they were advanced to the Second Class of Deacons.

M. R. M. Burk and A. F. Creswell, not having passed their examination, were continued in the class of the Third Year, their characters having been approved. The appointment of the former was, on motion, requested as Principal of the Johnson Academy.

The examination of the character of the effective Elders was taken up, and F. M. Fanning, after the passage of his character, gave an account of the work in the Knoxville District.

When the names of Wm. McKinley and R. W. Patty were called, it was announced that they had been transferred, the former to the Minnesota and the latter to the Oregon Conference.

The characters of R. O. Ayres, J. H. Jennings, T. S. Walker, J. M. Durham, J. B. Seaton, T. R. West, J. D. Lawson

and L. Bogart were passed, each reporting his Missionary Collection.

James A. Ruble, after the approval of his character, represented the condition of the work in his District.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, announcements were made and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Mitchell.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, October 3, 1878.

The Conference met at 8:30, A. M., and the Rev. Dr. Mitchell conducted the devotions.

After the calling of the roll the minutes were read and approved.

On motion of J. W. Mann, it was agreed to omit the further calling of the roll.

Bishop Scott presented the certificate of transfer of Rev. L. B. Caldwell from the Savannah to the Holston Conference.

Rev. Mr. Janes, of the Presbyterian Church, was introduced.

The examination of the character of the effective Elders was resumed, and J. J. Manker, J. L. Cardwell, J. R. Shultz, J. R. Hughes, J. P. Milburn, E. M. Lockwood, J. F. Morrison and N. G. Taylor were severally passed.

J. B. Little's character was approved, and he then represented the state of the work in the Powell's Valley District.

The characters of B. Crist, E. B. Clark, H. Pile, W. Kinsland, A. J. Greer, W. M. Cline and D. Richardson were passed.

W. C. Graves, Presiding Elder of the Asheville District, after the passage of his character, represented his work, after which the characters of T. W. Brown, P. H. Reed and C. G. Deming were passed.

Prof. Reeder, of Holston Seminary, was introduced.

J. S. Petty, Presiding Elder of the Chattanooga District, after his character had been approved, gave a representation of his work.

The characters of S. A. Winsor, George Julian, W. C.

Daily, G. W. Coleman, William Lucas, R. M. Witt, J. F. Spence, J. B. Ford and W. H. Rogers were severally passed.

The officers of the several Conference Societies were elected, also the Triers of Appeals, and the Trustees of the Conference.

The following paper was presented and adopted:

WHEREAS, Portions of our Southern country are fearfully scourged with the yellow fever; and,

WHEREAS, In many places this fatal epidemic is on the increase; and,

WHEREAS, Many of the ministers of our own Church are exposed to the ravages of this terrible disease, including a number of the members of our own Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That this Conference set apart the hour of 3 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow, October 4th, for special service of prayer in behalf of our brethren and of those suffering districts of our common country.

F. M. FANNING,
W. C. DAILY,
G. W. COLEMAN.

The character of T. H. Russell was passed, and he then reported his District, after which the characters of H. H. Burk, W. R. Long, T. A. Cass, A. B. Wright, W. M. Haskell, W. B. Ballenger, J. F. Perry and S. Greear were passed.

A supernumerary relation was asked for A. B. Wright, and his case was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The hour of 10 having arrived, the order of the day, viz.: The reception of Statistical reports, was taken up. The call proceeded by districts. During the call, on motion, it was decided that when we adjourn it be to meet at 2 o'clock P. M., to complete the call for Statistics.

The hour for adjournment having come, announcements were made and the Conference adjourned, J. B. Ford pronouncing the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 3, 1878—2 P. M.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment, Spencer Henry

occupying the chair by appointment of the Bishop. W. H. Rogers conducted the religious exercises.

The minutes were read and approved.

The call for Statistics was then resumed.

The following resolution was introduced and adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be and they are hereby requested to report to the Statistical Secretary the amounts received on salary by them from the several pastoral charges. The Statistics having been received from all the districts except Russellville and Cleveland, which were unprepared to report, on motion, Conference adjourned, and Spencer Henry pronounced the benediction.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, October 4, 1878.

Conference met at the usual hour, and engaged in religious services conducted by G. W. Coleman.

The minutes were read and approved.

J. W. Mann presented a resolution against special transfers, which was adopted.

On motion of C. S. Long J. D. Roberson was elected assistant Statistical Secretary.

The characters of T. F. Robeson, P. M. Bewley and Joseph W. Wells were passed, but not being present to pass their examinations they were continued on trial.

The *Sixth Question* was resumed and C. S. Long, J. D. Roberson, T. B. Russell and M. A. Rule, after the passage of their character, and being favorably represented by the Examining Committee, were advanced to the Second Class of Deacons.

F. M. Cones, J. C. Wright and Jacob Mann were continued in the First Class of Deacons, they not being present for examination. The former was granted a supernumerary relation.

The *Seventh Question* was taken up, and under it A. J. Bruner, G. W. Heninger and T. H. Hodge were in due form elected to Elders' orders.

M. Bell, A. C. Peters, A. G. Watkins and James Yarnell were continued in the Second Class of Deacons.

Under the consideration of the *Eighth Question* J. N. Baker, A. F. English, J. F. Woodfin and A. B. Wright were granted a supernumerary relation.

J. B. Fitzgerald, J. G. Trull, M. Bell, W. D. Smith, S. W. Hyden and A. C. Peters were returned effective.

P. L. Chambers, A. F. Shannon and G. A. Gowin were located, each at his own request.

D. B. Lawton was granted a superannuated relation.

The *Ninth Question* was taken up, and under it D. Carter, B. F. Wells, R. H. Guthrie and Spencer Henry were continued on the list of superannuates.

John Forrester was returned effective.

Under the *Third Question*, resumed, A. Jordan, A. J. Fletcher and O. M. Hypsher were continued on trial.

The examination of the character of the effective Elders was resumed, and A. P. Melton, D. W. Hays, J. C. Tate, C. K. Mays and Wm. Bluford were severally passed.

J. F. Spence, from the Committee on Education, presented so much of the report as relates to the East Tennessee Wesleyan University, which was, after some remarks by J. F. Spence, Prof. H. Presnell and Prof. Pierce, and after slight amendment, adopted.

J. W. Mann presented a resolution of thanks to Dr. Spence and Prof. L. B. Caldwell, which was adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, it was decided to hold a special session at 2, P. M., to complete the call for Statistics.

Conference adjourned by expiration of time and J. B. Ford pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met according to adjournment, W. C. Daily in the chair. W. M. Haskell conducted the religious services.

The session was occupied in receiving statistical reports until 3 P. M., at which time Conference adjourned, and W. C. Daily pronounced the benediction.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 5, 1878.

Conference met at the appointed hour. J. W. Mann conducted the religious services.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

J. J. Manker was granted leave of absence for to-day to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hope in Knoxville.

The name of T. A. Cass was called, and by permission of the Conference the Bishop placed his name on the roll of the Class of the Third Year, and he was elected to Elders' orders.

The question of recommendation for Local Deacons' orders was taken up, and Jesse G. Palmer, Alvis Brogan, Adam T. Snavely and James N. Bonham, from Powell's Valley District; Martin V. Barnett and J. H. McNutt, from Knoxville District; Thos. A. Davis and E. J. Hyatt, from Asheville District, and Joseph A. Nicholson, from Kingston District, were recommended and elected to Deacons' orders.

Rev. Absalom B. Carter, an Elder from the Baptist Church, having been duly recommended, was called forward and introduced to the Conference, and after being questioned by the Bishop concerning his agreement with us in doctrine and discipline, he was recognized as an Elder in the M. E. Church.

The reports on Tracts, Church Literature, Temperance, Conference Education Society, Sunday-schools, District Conference Records and Treasurer's Report of the Sunday-school Union were severally presented and adopted.

J. R. Hughes presented a resolution on tobacco, which, after some discussion, was adopted.

J. B. Ford delivered an interesting and instructive address on the Sunday-school cause. At its close, on motion of E. M. Lockwood, a vote of thanks was given Brother Ford for his faithful and efficient labors as Sunday-school Agent for the M. E. Church in the South, and his re-appointment by the Board at New York requested.

W. Lucas offered resolutions requiring Presiding Elders to report to the Conference the names of those preachers who fail to take up the collections, also observing the order of taking collections this year which was adopted at the last session of Conference.

The annual report of the Book Committee was presented, read by the Secretary and placed on file.

The *Second Question* was taken up, and Pleasant H. Henry, recommended by the Knoxville District Conference, James

Jory, Jr., recommended by the Chattanooga District Conference, John W. Burnett, Joseph A. Nicholson and James J. Robinett, recommended by the Kingston District Conference, were admitted on trial.

On motion, Conference adjourned, N. G. Taylor pronouncing the benediction.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 7, 1878.

Conference met at 8:30, A. M., N. G. Taylor in the chair. The opening religious exercises were conducted by W. H. Rogers.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion of J. W. Mann it was ordered that at 10, A. M., to-day, the roll be called for the purpose of receiving subscriptions for the minutes.

The Auditing Committee presented their report, which was approved.

The report on Church Extension was read by T. S. Walker and adopted.

Reports No. 2 and No. 3 from the Committee on Education were read and adopted.

The Report of the Conference Board of Church Extension was read and approved, as were also the reports of collections for the Freedmen's Aid Society and for the Episcopal Fund.

The report of the Committee on Bible Cause was read by W. H. Rogers, and approved by the Conference.

The assessment of the Book Committee for the Episcopal Fund was presented and referred to the Presiding Elders.

The Stewards' Report was presented and read by L. Bogart, approved by the Conference, and the money distributed as follows:

Mrs. Duggan, $9.00, delivered to J. W. Mann.
Mrs. Marshall, $9.00, delivered to W. Lucas.
Mrs. Fortner, $11.00, delivered to M. Seaton.
Mrs. Milburn, $9.00, delivered to J. A. Ruble.
Mrs. Fair, $5.00, delivered to W. Bluford.
Mrs. Patterson, $5.00, delivered to W. Bluford.

Mrs. Cobleigh, $12.00, delivered to G. W. Coleman.
John Forrester, $5.00, delivered to himself.
R. H. Guthrie, $5.00, delivered to J. S. Petty.
S. Henry, $5.00, delivered to himself.
B. F. Wells, $5.00, delivered to T. W. Brown.
D. B. Lawton, $4.15, delivered to himself.

The following was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be and they are hereby instructed to carry out the Disciplinary provisions for the support of the Conference claimants.

On motion of W. H. Rogers, the Secretary was instructed to notify Sister Still that she is omitted from the list of Conference claimants, for no other reason than that we are informed that she is neither in need nor desirous of aid.

The order of the day was taken up, and the roll called, and the subscription of the members taken for the minutes.

A resolution relating to the publication of the minutes was offered, and after some remarks, approved.

On motion, it was decided that when we adjourn it be to meet at 3 P. M.

Resolutions of thanks were presented by T. S. Walker, and adopted by a rising vote.

The next session of Conference was appointed to be held at Knoxville.

Resolutions relating to the attendance of ministers at District Conference were presented by G. W. Coleman and approved.

On motion of G. W. Coleman, a collection was taken for Mrs. Cobleigh, and the amount, $23.25, delivered to G. W. Coleman.

Conference adjourned by expiration of time and A. J. Bruner pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 3 o'clock, P. M., according to adjournment, N. G. Taylor presiding. L. Bogart led the devotions.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

J. Yarnell was granted a location at his own request.

The case of C. Shaw was referred to his Presiding Elder.

The Statistical Secretary presented his report, and, on motion, it was ordered that it be read in detail.

After the reading had proceeded through two Districts, many members of the Conference having left the conference room, thus defeating the object of reading in detail, it was, on motion, decided to read the remaining part of the report only by Districts.

The report having been read and approved Conference adjourned, W. R. Long pronouncing the benediction.

EVENING SESSION.

The Conference met pursuant to adjournment, Bishop Scott presiding.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Missions was read by J. S. Petty.

The Committees of Examination were announced.

Resolutions with regard to ministerial support were read by J. B. Ford and approved.

J. W. Mann presented a resolution appointing the Presiding Elders a Commission on Church Property, which was adopted.

Resolutions of thanks to the Presiding Bishop and to the Secretaries were introduced, and adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

F. M. Fanning was on motion of W. C. Graves, and on account, especially, of family afflictions, granted a superannuated relation.

W. B. Ballenger was granted a supernumerary relation.

W. M. Cline was granted a location.

Wilson Stark was, on motion, readmitted on certificate of location.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop made some closing remarks, the appointments were read by the Secretary and Conference adjourned, the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

REPORTS.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

We are fully apprized of the great need of good houses of worship throughout the South and along the Western frontier, and of the want of means to build them. We are also convinced of the impossibility of building up the Church permanently without church-houses. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we gratefully acknowledge the aid we have received in this Conference in donation and loans.

Resolved, 2. That we will endeavor to secure a collection from each charge, furnishing a report without blanks.

Resolved, 3. That we rejoice in the growing interest in this great connectional enterprise of the Church, as evinced by its growing collections among us.

Resolved, 4. That, as a means of information, we regard the Annual Reports of the Board of Church Extension as an admirable presentation of the work and wants of the Society, and we commend it to the careful study of our preachers, that they may be prepared to give the requisite information to the congregations.

T. S. WALKER, Ch'n.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday-Schools beg leave to make the following report:

We regard the Sunday-School as one of the most important departments of Church work, second only to the pulpit. Its object is instruction in God's Word; the salvation of the soul the end to be obtained. As preachers we have not given this important department of work as much of our thought, time and effort as it demands. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That during the ensuing year we will be careful to observe and carry out the law of our discipline in

regard to organizing Sunday-Schools, and will see that each is supplied from our own Sunday-School Union.

2. That we will organize each Sunday-School into a missionary society.

3. That at each of our appointments we will preach upon and explain the object and work of our Sunday-School Union, and will take the annual Sunday-School collection.

4. That we recommend each Presiding Elder to organize each District into a Sunday-School Extension Society, and hold at such time and place as they may deem best on each District, one or more Sunday-School institutes or conventions during the year, and thereby create a greater interest in our Sunday-School work.

5. We recommend that temperance societies be organized in all of our Sunday-Schools. Respectfully,

J. B. Ford,
J. R. Shultz,
J. D. Roberson.

FINANCIAL.

1. At the first Quarterly Conference the Presiding Elder shall appoint a committee to apportion the amounts estimated for the support of the Pastor and Presiding Elder to the several classes according to their number and financial ability. Said committee to report before Quarterly Conference adjourns.

2. The Steward and Class Leader shall be requested to apportion the amount to be raised by each class to the several members of the class according to ability to pay, until the whole amount is provided for. The Steward shall ask each member to accept such apportionment to be paid in equal quarterly instalments before each Quarterly Meeting.

3. It shall be the duty of the Presiding Elder, at the Second Quarterly Conference, to enquire as to whether the above instructions have been faithfully carried out; and if not, why not? He shall further enquire, at each Quarterly Conference during the year, whether each member has been asked for his or her amount.

4. The Preacher in charge shall cause these resolutions to

be read at each appointment before the meeting of the Second Quarterly Conference.

J. B. Ford,
J. W. Mann,
N. G. Taylor.

CHURCH LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Church Literature would respectfully report that we are duly impressed with these facts: the scarcity of money, the fearful destitution of religious books and periodicals, the want of experience and business tact of many of our preachers, and that we must move forward with herculean efforts, if we would build up a bulwark against sin and unbelief by the culture of an enlightened piety. There are thousands of precious volumes piled up in our depositories, while the famishing souls of our people never hear of them. Resolutions are cheap, but what we want is ACTION! Therefore,

Resolved, By the Holston Annual Conference in conference assembled: 1. That we request of our book agents that they ship to Rev. J. J. Manker, our Secretary, a box of the general catalogue of books (charges paid) of a sufficient number to supply each charge with six to a dozen copies.

2. That our Secretary make this order and request, accompanied by this report (if he judge best), and, when received, disburse said catalogues to the District Conferences, or to the Presiding Elders, thence to the preachers.

3. That the preachers carry a copy with them, and lend the balance to principal families, changing them occasionally to other families, everywhere soliciting orders for particular books; and then in ordering he include a careful selection of such books, especially our new Hymnal, as he thinks ought to and will sell. This is the course the Chairman of your Committee pursued, with success, over forty years ago, and he knows no better course to recommend.

In regard to the *Methodist Advocate*, we would say, we as

much as ever deem its thorough circulation indispensable to the success of our Church work. Therefore,

Resolved, That we will earnestly endeavor to introduce it into all the families of our Church.

All of which, is respectfully submitted,

D. B. Lawton,
W. C. Daily,
G. W. Coleman,
Committee.

New Market, Tenn., October 4, 1878.

TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance submit the following report:

The giant evil, intemperance, is ravaging the land. Thousands of our noble young men are being demoralized, degraded and hopelessly ruined by this accursed foe of humanity. But for this dreadful curse many more would doubtless be converted and gathered into the fold of Christ; but because of its blighting influence, they are bound in the galling fetters of intemperance, and are rapidly sinking into the pit of infamy, shame and everlasting destruction. Hundreds of the fathers are also staggering into the grave and hell of the inebriate. The hearts of wives and mothers are crushed and broken because of the drunkenness of husbands and sons, while the piteous wail of the widow and the orphan rend the air because he upon whom they lean for comfort and support has been hurled into eternity by the monster, rum. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we regard the liquor traffic as an enormous crime, that should be as emphatically prohibited by the laws of the State as are robbery, theft and murder.

Resolved, 2. That we will denounce it in the spirit of the Master from the pulpit, and use all lawful and Christian means to destroy it from the land.

Resolved, 3. That we respectfully but earnestly request the Honorable Legislature of Tennessee, within the bounds of which State our Conference lies, to enact a Local Option

Law, that the people by their suffrages may annihilate this great evil from among them.

JOHN R. HUGHES,
H. H. BURK,
J. M. DURHAM.

TRACTS.

WHEREAS, The present is an age when the pulpit and the press are the great safeguards of the nation, and especially since the war, in that our colored people have been surrounded by poverty, and infidelity is stalking abroad in mid-day, and whereas Romanism is exerting seemingly every effort to entrap the colored race, and that rationalism also is warding off the claims of Christianity, and paving the way to ruin, and whereas appetite, passion and propensity and all the evils that depraved nature is heir to are engaged in the great battle against truth, and whereas the great financial pressure is still upon us and like a ghost constantly staring us in the face, all of these combined press upon us the necessity of a cheap literature, or our standard Church literature in a cheap form, style and binding: therefore,

Resolved, That we as a Conference recommend to our publishing houses, to send forth our standard works in tract form, better to comport with Methodist economy, Methodist rule, and the Methodist religion.

WM. M. HASKELL,
B. CRIST,
E. B. CLARK.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the Presiding Elder's receipts carefully and find them correct.

P. H. REED,
G. W. COLEMAN.

CONFERENCE STEWARS' REPORT.

Charges.	Preachers.	Salaries. Estimated.	Received.	Deficit.	Conference Claimants
Knoxville District	F M Fanning P E	740 00	576 64	163 36	.....
Knoxville, 1st C'h	Wm. McKinley	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....	10 00
Knoxville, 2d C'h	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Knox Circuit	T.P.Rutherford	400 00	228 00	172 00	6 00
Campbell Station.	R. O. Ayres ...	300 00	225 00	75 00	.....
Thorn Grove....	J. H. Jennings	400 00	256 14	143 86	.....
Little River.....	T. S. Walker..	500 00	350 00	150 00	4 50
Sevierville.....	J. M. Durham	500 00	403 00	97 00	.....
Fair Garden.....	J. B. Seaton..	340 00	194 20	145 80	.....
New Market.....	T. R. West...	400 00	251 00	149 00	2 00
Maryville.....	J. D. Lawson.	415 00	235 00	180 00	.....
Madisonville.....	Lemuel Bogart	300 00	155 00	145 00	50
Loudon.....	J. W. Mann..	410 00	325 24	84 76	1 00
Powell's Valley D't	J. P. Little, P. E.	425 00	352 17	72 83	.....
Fincastle.....	M. A. Rule...	500 00	140 00	160 00	2 00
Jacksborough....	B. Crist.....	350 00	125 00	225 00	.....
Clinton.....	E. B. Clark....	380 00	256 00	124 00	2 00
Huntsville.....	S. B. Scott....	125 00	125 00	.....	.....
Clear Fork.....	H. Pyle.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Speedwell.....	W. Kinsland..	250 00	90 00	160 00	.....
Tazewell.....	D. S. Hodsden	300 00	129 00	171 00	.....
Maynardville	Geo. W. Jarvis	200 00	77 10	122 90	.....
Rutledge.....	A. J. Greer....	300 00	122 69	177 31	1 00
Rogersville.....	W. M. Cline...	50 00	20 00	30 00	.....
Rogersville Circ't	Wm. Harrison.	300 00	100 00	200 00	.....
Sneedville.....	D. Richardson.	250 00	103 00	147 00	1 00
Greeneville Dist...	J. A. Ruble, P. E.	680 00	590 00	90 00	.....
Greeneville.....	J. J. Manker..	750 00	750 00	.....	2 00
Greeneville Circ't	T. H. Hodge..	300 00	163 00	137 00	1 00
Rheatown.....	J. L. Cardwell	500 00	370 00	130 00	1 00
St. Clair.....	M. Seaton.....	300 00	300 00	.....	2 25
Fall Branch.....	A. J. Bruner..	400 00	355 75	44 25	25
Jonesboro.....	J. R. Shultz...	350 00	348 00	2 00	05
Elizabethton & Johnson City	J. R. Hughes.	500 00	440 00	60 00	1 00
Elizabethton Ct..	J. P. Milburn.	300 00	160 00	140 00	2 00
Taylorsville.....	E. M. Lockwood	400 00	325 00	75 00	.....
Kingsport.....	G. W. Heninger	325 00	261 00	64 00	.....
Bakersville.....	J. F. Morrison	280 00	108 00	172 00	.....

CONFERENCE STEWARDS' REPORT—CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	SALARIES.			CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS
		ESTIMATED	RECEIVED.	DEFICIT.	
Asheville District.	W.C.Graves P.E.	465 00	345 00	120 00	.....
Asheville.....	C. S. Long....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hendersonville...	J. D. Roberson	280 00	180 00	100 00	.....
Catawba.....	D. M. Clayton	200 00	148 50	51 50	.....
McDowell.....	F. M. Presley	150 00	100 00	50 00	.....
Leicester.....	T. W. Brown..	250 00	155 50	94 50	50
Waynesville	T. B. Russell..	200 00	200 00	.....	.....
Webster.....	T. J. Dawson..	200 00	133 76	66 24	50
Newport.....	P. M. Bewley..	225 00	90 00	135 00	.....
Parrottsville.....	W. T. Senter..	300 00	155 00	145 00	.....
Morristown.....	A. G. Watkins	300 00	151 84	148 16	.....
Mossy Creek.....	P. H. Reed....	200 00	130 00	70 00	2 00
Lick Creek.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chattanooga Dist.	J. S. Petty,P. E.	678 00	578 76	99 24	.....
Chattanooga	S. A. Winsor...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ooltewah	George Julian.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cleveland	A. F. Creswell.	150 00	100 00	50 00	2 00
Cleveland Circuit.	J. N. Moore....	300 00	190 00	110 00	.....
Chatata	W. C. Daily....	440 00	380 94	59 06	3 00
Riceville	G. M. Stone...	250 00	167 00	143 00	.....
Athens	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Athens Circuit....	G. W. Coleman.	440 00	219 60	220 40	1 00
Blue Spring.....	M. R. M. Burk.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ducktown.....	Wm. Lucas....	525 00	443 00	82 00	.....
Murphey.....	R. W. Witt....	150 00	120 00	30 00	25
Kingston District.	T.H.Russell, P.E	560 00	495 00	65 00	.....
Kingston	H. H. Burk....	300 00	204 00	96 00	.....
Scarborough	W. R. Long...	200 00	136 00	64 00	75
Wartburg.....	T. A. Cass.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jamestown.....	A. B. Wright..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Crossville	W. M. Haskell.	300 00	123 47	176 53	.....
Pikeville	J. A. Nicholson	290 00	140 00	150 00	.....
Hamilton	W. B. Ballenger	200 00	135 00	65 00	1 00
Washington	J. F. Perry.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jasper.....	S. Greear.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Battle Creek....	M. W. Broyles.	.....	.....	.....	.....

CONFERENCE STEWARDS' REPORT—CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	SALARIES.			CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS
		ESTIMATED	RECEIVED.	DEFICIT.	
Cleveland District	A.P.Melton, P.E.	625 00	488 50	136 50	.....
Chattanooga.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tyner's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decatur	C. Shaw	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rhea	J. Yarnell.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	J. Mann.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington	J. W. Wells...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Russellville Dist..	J. C. Tate, P. E.	500 00	260 00	240 00	.....
Knoxville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ebenezer	Alex. Jordan ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Limestone	A. J. Fletcher .	250 00	62 00	188 00	.....
Midway	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sevierville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Russellville	C. K. Mays....	100 00	50 00	50 00	.....
Hawkins	.....	100 00	45 00	55 00	20
Mineral Hill.....	O. M. Hypsher.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coal Creek.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Watauga.....	W. Bluford....	250 00	100 00	150 00	.....
Robertsville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

MISSIONS.

Your Committee recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing Conference year, viz.:

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT	$140 00
Knoxville, 2d Charge	150 00
Madisonville	60 00
Thorn Grove	60 00
Fair Garden	50 00
Total	$460 00
POWELL'S VALLEY DIST.	220 00
Jacksborough	90 00
Maynardville	60 00
Rutledge	20 00
Sneedville	40 00
Tazewell	30 00
Speedwell	35 00
Thorn Hill	60 00
Huntsville	90 00
Clear Fork	80 00
Total	$725 00
GREENEVILLE DISTRICT	$140 00
Greeneville	220 00
Jonesboro and Telford's	50 00
Elizabethton and Johnson City	120 00
Bakersville	65 00
Rogersville	30 00
Total	$625 00
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT	$225 00
Asheville	70 00
Asheville Circuit	65 00
Leicester	65 00
Waynesville	70 00
Webster	100 00
Hendersonville	70 00
Catawba	70 00
McDowell	50 00
Parrottsville	20 00
Morristown	45 00
Mossy Creek	30 00
Cosby	30 00
Total	$910 00
CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT	$200 00
Chattanooga	100 00
Ooltewah	40 00
Chatata	50 00
Blue Spring	30 00
Athens and Cleveland	180 00
Athens C't and Riceville	50 00
Ducktown	225 00
Murphy	40 00
Total	$915 00
KINGSTON DISTRICT	$225 00
Kingston	60 00
Kingston Circuit	60 00
Scarboro'	50 00
Wartburg	60 00
Jamestown	60 00
Crossville	60 00
Battle Creek	50 00
Total	$625 00
CLEVELAND DISTRICT	$200 00
Chattanooga Circuit	30 00
Marion Circuit	30 00
Washington	25 00
Kingston	30 00
Brush Creek	25 00
Total	$340 00
RUSSELLVILLE DISTRICT	$200 00
Knoxville	20 00
Ebenezer	20 00
Limestone	20 00
Midway	20 00
Sevierville	20 00
Russellville	20 00
Hawkins	20 00
Mineral Hill	20 00
Coal Creek	20 00
Robertsville	20 00
Total	$400 00
Aggregate	$5,000 00

J. S. PETTY, Secretary.

W. C. GRAVES, Ch'mn.

ATTENDANCE AT DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Resolved, That, if any minister fail to attend the District Conference, unless providentially hindered, it be a barrier to the passage of his character in the Annual Conference.

MINUTES.

WHEREAS, The Annual Minutes contain Reports, Resolutions and other matters, and especially the Statistics, with which all our people ought to be familiar. Therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that all the Preachers take subscriptions among their people for the Minutes.

THNAKS.

Resolved, That we have been greatly delighted and edified by the visit, counsels and pulpit ministration of our venerable and beloved Bishop Scott, and we sincerely thank him for his kind and efficient presidency during our session.

Resolved, That our most cordial thanks are due and are hereby tendered the citizens of New Market and vicinity for their liberal and generous hospitality toward us during the session of our Conference.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Conference be, and are hereby extended to Rev. T. R. West, Rev. J. H. Jennings and Rev. R. Pierce, for the very satisfactory arrangements made for our entertainment.

Resolved, That we appreciate the courtesy extended to us by the officers of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Railroad, in granting us reduced rates of travel; and especially, do we most heartily rejoice that the Sunday trains have been discontinued on this road.

Resolved, That the Secretaries are entitled to our thanks for their prompt and efficient services.

EDUCATIONAL.

EAST TENNESSEE WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Never have the halls of this institution been so well filled

as during the past year. The Annual Catalogue shows an enrollment of *two hundred and thirty students*, and a graduating class of *fifteen*.

Over fifty students received financial aid during the year. Thirty-one young men preparing for the Ministry received *free* tuition, text-books and room rent. Every claim against the University was promptly met at commencement; and every dollar of indebtedness has been liquidated. During the past twelve months the College Chapel has been handsomely reseated, at a cost of several hundred dollars. One dormitory building has been added to the property at a cost of about $500. The Faculty have shown zeal, competency and fidelity. The College Curiculum compares favorably with any in the land. While we have a conscious pleasure in telling of the scholastic and financial prosperity of the University during the past year; we rejoice, and are exceedingly glad in its prospective. Col. H. G. Bixby, of California, has given the University a large interest in a consolidation of eight very rich silver mines near Globe City, Arizona.

During the past three months, through the efforts of the President and Prof. L. B. Caldwell, a mill costing $40,000 has been purchased, paid for and erected near the mines, and is now ready for use. It is confidently expected by the 10th of December the first dividend to the University of at least $7,000 will be declared.

Your Committee would not undervalue the influence of a liberal education, but magnify it as the most important factor of strength and success of our Methodism in this southern land. Our watchword should be "An educated ministry—an educated membership."

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, 1. That we will earnestly renew our efforts in behalf of the East Tennessee Wesleyan University, that the largest possible good may be realized to the Church and the country.

Resolved, 2. That, in consideration of our want of financial strength, we will encourage the unification of our educational work among the whites of our Church in the Central South.

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One central institution, all others gymnasia or preparatory schools; thereby increasing the efficiency and lessening the expense.

Resolved, 3. That we most cordially and earnestly invite the Georgia, Alabama, Central Tennessee and Virginia Conferences to unite in joint patronage and effort in fully establishing and building up such an institution—which shall speedily become a real and powerful center of our denominational and educational work in the South.

Resolved, 4. That we gratefully acknowledge the munificent gift of Col. H. G. Bixby to the University, and recognize in him a friend to humanity, and a real benefactor to our Church, whom we shall ever delight to respect and honor.

Resolved, 5. That we recommend the appointment of Rev. L. B. Caldwell as Professor of "Geology and Natural History" in the East Tennessee Wesleyan University for the ensuing year.

Resolved, 6. That we confirm the nominations of the Board of Trustees of J. F. Spence, W. H. Bryant, J. S. Mathews, J. H. Hornsby, C. W. DePue, R. Pierce and F. C. Beaman as Trustees, whose term expires in 1881.

Resolved, 7. That we recommend the appointment of Revs. R. Pierce, J. A. Ruble, C. S. Long, A. J. Bruner, J. W. Mann, B. Crist, J. R. Shultz, T. H. Hodge, E. M. Lockwood, S. A. Winsor, G. W. Coleman, A. G. Watkins and T. R. West as visitors and examiners for the ensuing year.

HOLSTON SEMINARY

Is moving onward steadily and successfully in its work. The past year three teachers, Rev. R. Pierce, A. M., Principal, Miss Nellie Bridges, M. E. L., and Mrs. Sarah W. Pierce, full time, and two assistants, a part of their time, were engaged in the work of instruction. In the various studies pursued thoroughness and satisfactory success characterized the year's work. One hundred and forty were enrolled in the three departments. Quite a number of conversions occurred in the school. A small deficit in current expenses is more than covered by assets.

The grounds and buildings are in good condition, attractive

and convenient. Our dormitories are now full. Our people in the patronizing territory are turning their attention to Holston Seminary to such an extent that a boarding hall has become a special necessity.

The Trustees propose this plan: To send out the Principal for a few months to raise the funds, among our own people if possible, to erect a boarding hall for sixty students; estimated cost, $1,500. Said hall when erected to be rent free to students and in charge of a good Christian family. Students to bring in provisions when they desire, and by paying twenty cents per week to the steward they will have comfortable, good board with a Christian family or in a home at a price not exceeding, all told, $1.50 per week, and that paid in provisions. This plan has been talked up in a portion of our patronizing territory and the people are pleased, and say they can and will send on this plan. We have good reasons for believing that a boarding house for sixty students can be filled in a few months. Fifty students pay the salary of a professor; hence the creation of the contemplated boarding hall will be equivalent to endowing a professorship. After careful inquiry, Professor Reeder, of Ohio, has been selected to take charge of the school in the absence of the Principal. In view of this necessity and plan your Committee propose the following action:

Resolved, 1. That we recommend to the appointing power that Rev. R. Pierce, A. M., be confirmed and appointed Principal.

Resolved, 2. That we fully approve the plan of the Trustees for the erection of a boarding hall.

Resolved, 3. That Revs. J. F. Spence, F. M. Fanning and Col. J. M. Meek be confirmed as Trustees.

Resolved, 4. That the Principal name and publish a Visiting and Examining Committee.

CANDLER COLLEGE.

This institution is situated seven miles west of Asheville, N. C. The immediate site of the College is on a magnificent plateau, in the midst of the valley, which overlooks the coun-

try in every direction for more than a hundred miles. The healthfulness of the climate is proverbial.

During the last year the institution has enjoyad a greater degree of prosperity than ever before, the enrollment reaching over a hundred. About two thousand dollars have been subscribed and collected for the improvement of the present and the erection of new buildings. The work of building is now going on with satisfaction. The buildings contemplated will be large and attractive. To raise the funds necessary for the completion of the buildings your Committee recommend the appointment of the President, Rev. Carroll S. Long, A. B., as Financial Agent, with authority to collect funds either in the South or North.

We further recommend this school to all of our Southern Conferences as an institution of high grade, furnishing ample facilities for a thorough classical education, and solicit for it a hearty patronage. We also recommend the following brethren as a Visiting and Examining Committee for the ensuing year: Revs. R. Pierce, A. M., F. M. Fanning, W. R. Long, T. W. Brown, J. F. Spence, J. B. Ford, W. T. Senter, J. J. Manker, Judge J. S. Henry, Col. J. E. Reed, Hon. V. S. Lusk.

J. F. Spence,
C. S. Long,
R. Pierce,
J. J. Manker.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

The Committee on Bible Cause report that in many places within the bounds of our Conference there is great destitution of the Word of God.

In Bradley county more than five hundred families were found without a Bible; in James county nearly four hundred; in Rhea county over five hundred, and in Washington county one fourth of the families visited by the Colporteur were without the Bible. What is true of these is true in greater or less degree in all our bounds.

The above is the dark side of the picture, but there is a brighter side. The American Bible Society is now printing the Bible in more than seventy different languages at the rate

of from three to five thousand copies a day, and at prices so low that not only the rich but the poor may have a copy of the Word of God. The publications of the American Bible Society are sent not only to the people of our own country but to Missionaries to Mexico, South America, Europe, to China and Japan and all other lands where Protestant Missionaries have gone.

In view of the foregoing, and other facts, your Committee offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we will co-operate with the Auxiliary Societies and agents of the American Bible Society, within our bounds in the circulation of the Word of God.

Resolved, 2. That we will take up a collection to aid the American Bible Society in all our pastoral charges the coming year.

Resolved, 3. That, in view of the destitution of the Holy Scriptures, both in our families and Sunday-Schools, we ask a grant of books of the American Bible Society as follows:

One hundred Bibles at 35 cents each	$35 00
Two hundred Bibles at 25 cents each	50 00
One thousand Testaments at 8 cents each	80 00
Two thousand Testaments at 5 cents each	100 00
	$265 00

To be distributed under the direction of the Rev. J. B. Ford, our Sunday-School Secretary, under the same rules that grants are made to Sabbath-Schools.

Resolved, 4. That we request the appointment of Rev. W. H. Rogers as Bible Colporteur for the coming year.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. H. Rogers, Ch'n.

New Market, October 6th, 1878.

RESOLUTIONS.

CHURCH PROPERTY.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be, and are hereby constituted a commission to take immediate steps to settle all Church property, in dispute, within their respective districts, on the basis of the Cape May Commission.

J. W. MANN,
J. B. FORD.

DR. SPENCE AND PROF. CALDWELL.

Resolved, That our most hearty and grateful thanks are tendered to Rev. J. F. Spence, D. D., President of East Tennessee Wesleyan University, and to Prof. L. B. Caldwell, for their earnest, active and efficient services in the interest of this institution, and that we do devoutly thank God for the success that has crowned their arduous labors.

J. W. MANN,
J. A. RUBLE.

J. B. FORD.

Resolved, That it is due alike to ourselves and to our Sunday-School interests to record our grateful thanks to the Sunday-School Union for the appointment of Rev. J. B. Ford as General Sunday-School Agent for the South.

Resolved, That we do hereby request that he be continued in the important office which he so faithfully fills.

E. M. LOCKWOOD.

TOBACCO.

Resolved, That, by all Christian means, we will discourage the use of tobacco among the members of the Conference.

JOHN R. HUGHES.

SPECIAL TRANSFERS.

Resolved, That, in view of the crowded state of our work, we most respectfully request the Bishops not to make special transfers to this body, unless the interests of the Church clearly demand it.

J. W. Mann,
W. C. Graves,
J. J. Manker,
T. S. Walker.

COLLECTIONS.

Resolved, That Presiding Elders in reporting their work be required to give the names of the preachers who fail to take up the collections required by the Discipline, and the reasons for such failure.

Resolved, That the order of taking collections adopted by last Conference, is hereby adopted for the ensuing year.

A. J. Bruner,
W. Lucas.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

Yesterday the following persons were, by me, ordained to the office of Deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church:

Jesse G. Palmer, Alvis Brogan, James N. Bonham, Adam Y. Snavely, Martin V. Barnett, John H. McNutt, Thomas A. Davis, Ephraim J. Hyatt and James A. Nicholson; and, assisted by five Elders, the following to the office of Elder:

George W. Heninger, Thomas A. Hodge, Andrew J. Bruner and Thomas A. Cass. I also administered the obligation of the Elders' office to Absalom B. McCarter, jr., from the Baptist Church.

L. Scott.

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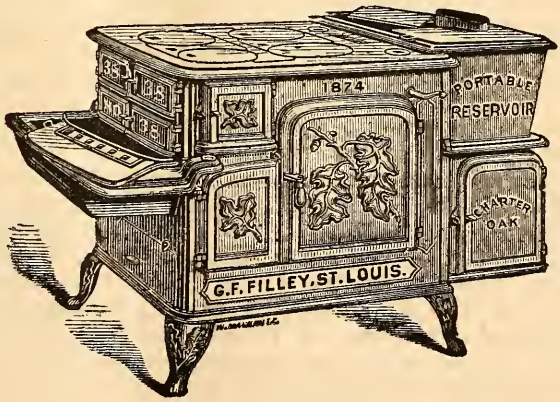

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Membership.				Bp'ms.		Church Property.			S. Schools.			Conference Claimants.	For Missions.			Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Board of Church Extension.	Tract Society.	Sunday School Union of the M. E. Church.	Freedmen's Aid Society.	Education.	American Bible Society.
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Schools.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars of all ages		Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.							
Knoxville District.																								
Knoxville, 1st Church	18	178	4	2	6	4	1	$30,000	...	.....	1	18	140	$10 00	$43 00	.....	$43 00	.....	.....	.....	$5 00	$10 00	.....	$15 00
Knoxville, 2d Church	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Knox Circuit	18	335	1	2	.....	6	3	3,000	1	$300	4	23	185	.....	30 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	$3 85	.....	.....	.....	4 00
Campbell Station	22	307	1	4	3	6	6	4,000	...	.....	5	40	220	6 00	32 00	.....	32 00	.....	$3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	$1 00	1 50
Thorn Grove	25	352	4	2	4	16	4	2,400	1	300	6	58	345	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little River	70	522	4	1	12	13	6	6,000	...	.....	4	32	273	4 50	41 50	.....	41 50	.....	10 00	1 25	1 93	1 00	5 00	.....
Sevierville	47	598	7	6	13	15	6	3,000	...	.....	4	56	375	.....	61 20	.....	61 20	.....	.....	35	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Fair Garden	78	454	2	2	10	27	6	3,000	...	.....	4	35	105	.....	3 75	$1 25	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Market	23	418	5	7	7	26	4	6,500	...	.....	3	31	295	2 00	7 00	.....	7 00	$10 00	.....	25	25	.....	.....	8 00
Maryville	15	425	...	2	13	6	4	3,700	1	500	4	33	327	.....	22 37	.....	22 37	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madisonville	26	292	4	3	53	15	2	400	...	.....	3	18	60	50	22 55	.....	22 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Loudon	10	236	1	2	19	9	3	4,000	...	.....	3	23	165	1 00	13 00	2 32	15 32	50	1 00	50	50	60	1 00	1 00
TOTAL	352	4117	33	33	140	143	45	$66,000	3	$1,100	41	367	2,490	$24 00	$281 37	$3 57	$284 94	$10 50	$16 00	$8 20	$9 68	$12 60	$7 00	$29 50
Powell's Valley Dist.																								
Fincastle	14	180	1	1	12	1	2	4,000	1	$500	2	12	100	2 00	$10 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	$1 00	.....	.....	.....
Jacksboro	13	270	4	3	7	8	2	2,000	...	.....	3	18	120	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....
Clinton	25	380	5	...	12	23	3	1,200	1	500	3	28	360	.....	10 00	.....	10 00	$1 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....
Huntsville	24	90	...	1	.....	.....	1	75	...	.....	2	3	23	.....	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clear Fork	13	50	2	1	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Speedwell	32	317	4	...	.....	.....	4	1,200	...	.....	2	12	60	.....	4 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tazewell	81	487	11	9	9	8	4	600	...	.....	...	20	160	.....	60	.....	60	.....	.....	25	20	.....	.....	.....
Maynardville	36	275	4	4	19	25	...	.....	...	.....	1	8	40	.....	70	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Rogersville	102	32	...	2	.....	.....	1	400	...	.....	1	9	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rogersville Circuit	10	229	3	1	1	17	3	1,500	...	.....	1	8	125	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sneedville	23	293	10	2	5	.....	1	1,200	...	.....	...	3	15	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rutledge	102	414	3	3	10	9	3	3,500	1	200	4	20	200	1 00	4 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	25	10	.....	.....
TOTAL	393	3017	47	27	75	91	24	$15,675	3	$1,200	19	141	1,235	$4 00	$43 30	.....	$43 30	$1 00	$1 00	$1 25	$5 20	10	.....	50

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Asheville District.																								
Asheville Circuit	16	200	1	1	13	9	1	500	...	.....	...	....	55	.....	11 00	.....	11 00	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....
Hendersonville	60	400	1	2	7	12	4	1,800	...	.....	4	23	213	.....	14 50	.....	14 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Catawba	100	286	3	...	48	25	2	700	...	.....	...	....	.....	.....	13 22	.....	13 22	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....
McDowell	31	128	4	...	28	7	...	.....	...	.....	...	....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Leicester	55	239	1	4	1	20	3	700	...	.....	1	5	30	50	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	1 00	25	.....	.....	.....	45
Waynesville	4	307	5	1	7	10	1	450	1	335	1	5	40	1 25	12 46	.....	12 46	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Webster	28	151	3	1	10	9	...	.....	..	.....	...	....	.....	50	3 00	.....	3 00	25	25	25	3 00	25	25	25
Newport	32	353	8	...	3	9	2	1,000	...	.....	1	8	60	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....
Parrottsville	43	315	2	1	3	3	1	600	...	.....	1	8	75	.....	4 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morristown	56	491	1	7	3	42	7	5,000	1	500	7	39	210	.....	14 50	.....	14 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mossy Creek	4	149	1	...	.....	.....	3	1,500	...	.....	2	5	45	1 50	4 25	.....	4 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	429	3019	30	17	123	147	24	$12,250	2	$835	17	93	728	$3 75	$87 93	.....	$87 93	25	$1 25	50	$7 50	25	25	95
Chattanooga District.																								
Chattanooga	10	100	2	...	.....	1	1	1,500	1	2,500	1	22	225	2 50	16 50	4 00	20 50	1 00	12 00	2 00	2 00	2 55	20 00	5 00
Ooltewah	3	187	3	2	8	12	2	400	...	.....	2	12	166	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cleveland	10	60	...	...	1	1	1	3,000	...	.....	1	10	90	2 00	9 25	6 15	15 40	.....	50	1 00	7 25	.....	2 50	.....
Cleveland Circuit	25	416	2	5	5	3	5	1,150	...	.....	4	36	190	1 00	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	50	.....	50	.....	1 00	1 25
Chatata	25	415	3	8	10	8	3	2,000	...	.....	4	42	216	3 00	7 80	2 20	10 00	.....	3 00	1 00	1 50	1 25	1 00	1 50
Riceville	25	300	4	...	4	10	4	800	...	.....	4	12	150	.....	5 50	.....	5 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Athens	10	65	1	...	.....	...	...	.....	...	.....	1	12	125	.....	4 50	.....	4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Athens Circuit	47	393	4	1	12	3	8	4,000	...	.....	3	22	154	1 00	12 00	.....	12 00	.....	3 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....
Blue Spring	50	460	4	10	6	14	8	2,500	...	.....	3	15	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ducktown	6	106	2	2	4	.....	2	4,000	...	.....	1	15	82	.....	20 00	32 10	52 10	.....	.....	80	.....	1 00	1 44	.....
Murphy	32	140	3	1	12	9	4	400	...	.....	1	10	75	25	2 00	.....	2 00	25	25	25	25	15	15	15
TOTAL	243	2642	28	29	62	61	38	$19,750	1	$2,500	25	208	1,623	$9 75	$97 55	$45 45	$143 00	$1 25	$19 25	$6 05	12 50	$4 95	27 09	$7 90
Greeneville District.																								
Greeneville	18	107	...	2	4	1	1	3,500	...	.....	1	17	140	2 00	33 00	3 00	36 00	9 75	6 00	2 00	2 00	1 60	1 20	7 25
Greeneville Circuit	30	280	2	3	45	9	6	6,500	...	.....	6	30	350	1 00	9 00	4 00	13 00	55	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Rheatown	69	678	6	1	11	3	10	11,400	...	.....	6	27	342	.....	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	1 00	25	25	25	1 00	.....
St. Clair	63	482	2	5	15	25	4	2,000	...	.....	6	48	310	2 25	15 00	.....	15 00	50	2 00	1 30	1 00	1 00	50	1 50
Fall Branch	33	478	5	5	21	25	5	1 9 0	...	.....	5	45	350	25	7 00	.....	7 00	25	25	20	50	20	40	50
Jonesboro	20	360	2	4	20	18	1	3,000	...	.....	1	20	70	05	12 18	.....	12 18	.....	25	05	2 59	05	50	05
Eliz'b'ton&Johns'nCy	59	156	5	...	2	8	1	2,000	...	.....	2	18	150	1 00	12 00	3 00	15 06	.....	1 00	35	1 00	50	1 00	1 00
Elizabethton Circuit	23	397	2	...	.....	.....	3	2,000	...	.....	6	30	225	2 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	1 00	10	10	.....	10	15
Taylorsville	110	310	2	1	3	10	1	250	...	.....	1	8	96	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Kingsport	50	390	3	4	26	40	3	2,000	...	.....	4	25	200	.....	1 53	4 47	6 00	50	25	10	40	25	25	75
Bakersville	55	244	1	5	.....	20	...	.....	...	.....	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	530	3882	30	30	141	159	35	$34.550	...	.....	38	268	2,233	$8 55	$109 71	$14 47	$124 18	$11 55	$14 75	$6 35	$9 84	$4 85	$5 95	$12 20

STATISTICS OF HOLSTON CONFERENCE—Continued.

Kingston District.																								
Scarborough	36	320	4	4	16	2	2	750	...	.....	6	18	125	75	2 12	.....	2 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Wartburg	20	300	4	1	3	.....	6	1,400	...	.....	6	30	175	.....	1 75	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jamestown	42	312	3	1	12	25	3	1,000	...	.....	3	12	60	.....	4 85	.....	4 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Crossville	33	268	2	2	.....	4	2	1,200	...	.....	3	23	100	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Pikeville	54	206	4	3	1	1	2	1,000	...	.....	1	4	40	.....	5 60	.....	5 60	50	50	50	75	.....	.....	50
Hamilton	30	200	5	1	3	5	4	2,000	...	.....	4	20	160	1 00	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington	40	140	3	2	4	2	2	1,200	1	600	2	15	100	.....	6 20	.....	6 20	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	5 20
Jasper	40	300	2	1	8	10	2	650	1	300	4	20	150	1 00	6 75	.....	6 75	.....	80	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Battle Creek	37	200	8	1	7	9	6	1,000	...	.....	5	20	100	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kingston	48	241	2	3	5	16	3	1,600	...	.....	2	16	100	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	1 00
TOTAL	380	2487	37	19	59	74	32	$11,800	2	$900	36	178	1,110	$2 75	$38 27	.....	$38 27	50	$2 30	50	$4 25	.....	.....	$6 95
Cleveland District.																								
Chattanooga	41	366	6	4	26	52	1	2,000	..	.....	1	22	200	1 25	.....	12 50	12 50	.....	6 00	1 25	3 00	8 00	2 00	75
Tyner's	22	320	6	...	13	.....	3	1,800	...	.....	8	11	160	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decatur	2	86	1	...	.....	.....	1	300	...	.....	3	6	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rhea	8	70	1	...	.....	.....	1	375	...	.....	3	10	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	8	98	2	...	.....	.....	1	300	...	.....	3	9	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington	20	86	1	2	.....	.....	4	900	...	.....	3	9	60	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	50	.....	20	75	.....	.....
TOTAL	101	1026	17	6	39	52	11	$5,675	...	.....	21	67	636	$1 25	$2 00	$12 50	$14 50	.....	$6 50	$1 25	$3 20	$8 75	$2 00	75
Russellville District.																								
Knoxville	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ebenezer	22	250	2	3	4	7	2	2,200	...	.....	4	14	260	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....
Limestone	29	140	1	3	8	3	3	1,900	...	.....	3	12	175	.....	50	.....	50	.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Midway	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	1 05	.....	1 00	.....	.....	15	.....	2 00	.....	05
Sevierville	25	72	3	...	3	.....	1	75	...	.....	3	10	115	.....	25	.....	25	.....	1 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....
Russellville	28	239	...	...	.....	.....	4	1,200	...	.....	4	16	170	.....	1 60	.....	1 00	20	2 00	...	.....	1 00	45	25
Hawkins	35	175	3	...	6	45	1	1,000	...	.....	6	22	222	20	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	25	1 00	15	.....	.....	.....
Mineral Hill	13	109	2	2	.....	.....	2	450	...	.....	2	8	75	.....	1 10	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coal Creek	15	108	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Watauga	25	137	1	...	3	14	1	250	...	.....	2	18	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Robertsville	12	28	1	...	.....	.....	2	250	...	.....	1	4	117	.....	97	.....	97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	204	1258	13	8	24	69	16	$7,325	...	.....	25	104	1,234	20	$5 82	.....	$5 82	20	$3 50	$1 15	15	$5 25	45	30

RECAPITULATION.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Membership.				B'pms.		Church Property.				Sabbath Schools		
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.
Asheville District	429	3,019	30	17	123	147	24	$12,250	2	$835	17	93	728
Chattanooga "	243	2.642	28	29	62	61	38	19,750	1	2,500	25	208	1,623
Greeneville "	530	3,882	30	30	141	159	35	34,550	...	.....	38	268	2,233
Kingston "	380	2,487	37	19	59	74	32	11,800	2	900	36	178	1,110
Knoxville "	352	4,117	33	33	140	143	45	66,000	3	1,100	41	367	2,490
Powell's Valley "	393	3,017	47	27	75	91	24	15.675	3	1,200	19	141	1,235
Cleveland "	101	1,026	17	6	39	52	11	5,675	...	.....	21	67	636
Russellville "	204	1,258	13	8	24	69	16	7,325	...	.....	25	104	1.234
GRAND TOTAL	2632	21,448	235	169	663	796	225	$173,025	11	$6,535	222	1,426	11,289

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Conference Claimants.	For Missions.			Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Board of Church Extension.	Tract Society.	Sunday School Union M. E. Church.	Freedmen's Aid Society.	Education.	American Bible Society.
		Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.							
Asheville District	3 75	87 93	.....	87 93	25	1 25	50	7 50	25	25	95
Chattanooga "	9 75	97 55	45 45	143 00	1 25	19 25	6 05	12 50	4 95	27 09	7 90
Greeneville "	8 55	109 71	14 47	124 18	11 55	14 75	6 35	9 84	4 85	5 95	12 20
Kingston "	2 75	38 27	.....	38 27	50	2 30	50	4 25	.....	.....	6 95
Knoxville "	24 00	281 37	3 57	284 94	10 50	16 00	8 20	9 68	12 60	7 00	29 50
Powell's Valley "	4 00	43 30	.....	43 30	1 00	1 00	1 25	5 20	10	.....	50
Cleveland "	1 25	2 00	12 50	14 50	.....	6 50	1 25	3 20	8 75	2 00	75
Russellville "	20	5 82	.....	5 82	20	3 50	1 15	15	5 25	45	30
GRAND TOTAL	54 25	665 95	75 99	741 94	25 25	65 05	25 25	52 32	36 75	42 74	59 05

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J. J. MANKER, Secretary.

STATISTICS OF HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	*Collections, Etc.*					*Sunday Schools.*												
	Support of Bishops.	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Claims for Ministerial Support.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.	Scholars fifteen years old and over.	Scholars under fifteen, except Infant Class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers	Conversions.	Library Books.	Total Expenses of School this Year.	Sunday School Advocates taken Weekly.	Sunday School Journals taken.	Special Collections.
Cleveland District.																				
Chattanooga	.....	2 32	.....	6 50	6 03	1	23	200	65	82	53	121	22	55	42	175	16 30	.....	7	.....
Tyner s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	11	160	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decatur	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	6	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rhea	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	10	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	9	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington	1 00	.....	.....	2 00	1 23	3	9	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	$1 00	$2 32	.....	$8 50	$7 26	21	68	636	65	82	53	121	31	59	42	175	$16 30	.....	7	.....
Russellville District.																				
Knoxville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ebenezer	.....	.....	.....	2 00	46	4	14	260	100	160	.....	.....	14	50	20	50	5 00	.....	.....	.....
Limestone	.....	.....	.....	2 50	62	3	12	175	60	60	20	100	12	.....	3	48	.....	.....	.....	.....
Midway	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sevierville	.....	.....	.....	2 00	24	3	10	115	.....	.....	.....	20	6	.....	4	36	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Russellville	80	.....	.....	1 00	50	4	16	170	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	150	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hawkins	50	.....	.....	1 00	45	6	22	222	150	50	22	140	15	65	36	222	20 00	.....	.....	.....
Mineral Hill	.....	25	16	2 50	53	[illegible]	8	75	15	40	20	.....	5	20	10	150	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coal Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Watauga	.....	1 20	.....	2 69	1 19	2	10	80	30	35	15	125	8	32	5	42	6 50	.....	.....	.....
Robertsville	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	1	4	20	15	.....	.....	200	3	5	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	$1 30	$1 45	16	$13 69	$4 07	25	96	1117	370	345	77	785	63	172	85	698	$33 50	.....	.....	.....

STATISTICS OF HOLSTON CONFERENCE—Continued.

Asheville District.																				
Asheville	.....	5 00	.....	3 20	2 00	...	.....	55	25	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Henderson	70	.....	.....	3 10	1 92	4	23	213	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Catawba	.....	.....	.....	2 20	1 57	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
McDowell	.....	.....	.....	1 65	1 08	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Leicester	1 00	5 50	.....	2 75	1 72	1	5	30	20	10	.....	.....	3	15	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waynesville	.....	60	.....	2 90	2 17	1	5	40	15	15	10	30	4	25	15	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....
Webster	25	.....	.....	2 15	1 36	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newport	1 75	.....	.....	2 45	1 05	1	8	60	.....	.....	.....	40	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parrottsville	1 00	.....	.....	3 30	1 78	1	8	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morristown	1 00	.....	3 00	3 40	1 69	7	39	210	90	105	15	165	33	127	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mossy Creek	2 00	.....	.....	2 20	1 43	2	5	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	$7 70	$11 10	$3 00	$29 30	$17 77	17	93	728	150	160	25	235	48	167	161	.....	$5 00	.....	.....	.....
Chattanooga District.																				
Chattanooga	7 00	3 80	.....	10 90	10 90	1	22	225	90	60	75	174	22	10	2	500	108 00	100	20	.....
Ooltewah	.....	.....	.....	2 70	1 46	2	12	166	32	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....
Cleveland	2 00	.....	.....	2 60	2 90	1	10	90	.....	.....	20	75	10	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	11	.....
Cleveland Circuit	4 00	6 00	.....	4 05	2 87	4	36	190	.....	.....	14	125	31	74	.....	500	.....	.....	3	.....
Chatata	3 00	.....	.....	4 90	4 20	4	42	216	126	90	.....	175	42	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Riceville	1 80	.....	.....	2 78	1 23	4	12	150	80	70	.....	120	10	.....	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Athens	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	1	12	125	60	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Athens Circuit	1 50	.....	.....	4 80	2 37	3	22	154	113	47	.....	102	19	64	20	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Blue Spring	.....	.....	.....	2 85	1 32	3	15	150	50	75	25	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ducktown	.....	.....	.....	6 15	5 23	1	15	82	24	36	22	61	15	.....	.....	275	.....	.....	15	.....
Murphy	25	.....	.....	1 70	1 30	1	10	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	10	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	$19 55	9 80	.....	$49 43	$33 78	25	208	1623	575	412	156	897	159	158	75	1287	$128 00	160	52	.....
Greeneville District.																				
Greeneville	5 00	.....	1 00	7 85	7 85	1	17	140	60	60	20	75	15	35	6	50	50 00	50	7	10 00
Greeneville Circuit	3 00	10 00	.....	3 50	2 08	6	30	350	145	150	55	250	25	275	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rheatown	3 00	9 00	.....	5 00	3 70	6	27	342	257	.....	.....	239	27	.....	.....	450	11 50	.....	.....	.....
St. Clair	3 45	.....	.....	3 50	3 40	6	48	310	150	125	35	300	48	100	50	350	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fall Branch	1 50	.....	1 25	4 60	4 06	5	45	350	215	135	.....	240	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jonesboro	1 25	.....	8 00	3 50	3 48	1	20	70	30	20	10	59	25	6	3	.....	10 00	25	8	12 50
Elizabethton and Johnson City	2 00	1 00	1 00	5 60	4 90	2	18	150	50	60	40	120	15	75	10	100	8 00	.....	.....	.....
Elizabethton Circuit	5 00	.....	.....	3 00	1 60	6	30	225	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Taylorsville	5 00	.....	.....	4 50	3 75	1	8	96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kingsport	4 00	.....	.....	3 20	2 61	4	25	200	125	50	25	150	22	175	85	200	15 00	.....	3	.....
Bakersville	1 00	.....	.....	3 00	1 16	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	$34 20	$20 00	$11 25	$47 25	$38 59	38	268	2233	1032	600	185	1433	207	666	204	1150	$94 50	75	18	$22 50

STATISTICS OF HOLSTON CONFERENCE—Continued.

Kingston District.																				
Kingston			7 00	3 50	2 04	2	16	100	60	40		20	14	40			20 00		6	
Searborough	1 00			2 00	1 37	6	18	125	50	75		75	10	30	10	150				
Wartburg				2 50	1 40	6	30	175								600				
Jamestown	1 00			2 50	65	3	12	60							25	250				
Crossville	2 00	10 00		3 30	1 48	3	23	100							25					
Pikeville	25			2 90	1 40	1	4	40	25	15		30								
Hamilton	1 00			2 00	1 35	4	20	160												
Washington	2 00					2	15	100												
Jasper	1 00					4	20	150												
Battle Creek				1 00	50	5	20	100								50				
TOTAL	$8 25	$10 00	$7 00	$19 70	$10 19	36	178	1110	135	130		125	24	70	60	1050	$20 00		6	
Knoxville District.																				
Knoxville, 1st Church	7 00			12 80	12 80	1	18	140			40	115				250	100 00	150	18	
Knoxville, 2d Church																				
Knox Circuit	1 25		60	4 40	2 69	4	23	185				165	20				2 00			
Campbell Station	5 00	40		4 00	2 55	5	40	220	80	100	40	230	35	75	10		25 00		2	
Thorn Grove	3 00			4 40	2 90	6	58	345				245				150				
Little River	4 50	2 15	1 25	5 70	3 93	4	32	273	104	169		219	28	50	12	200	10 78		2	
Sevierville	3 35			5 75	4 65	4	56	375				216			13					
Fair Garden	3 50			3 80	2 15	4	35	105				105			40					
New Market	3 00	75		4 50	2 89	3	31	295			27	218	31	192	44	300	21 00		10	
Maryville	2 00	40		4 65	2 72	4	33	327							30					
Madisonville	1 50			3 40	1 49	3	18	60					10	30						
Loudon	2 00	1 00	27	4 60	3 56	3	23	165	80	40	45	126	20	40	8	156	21 52	25	1	
TOTAL	$36 10	$4 70	$2 12	$58 00	$48 33	41	367	2486	264	309	152	1639	144	387	157	1056	$180 30	175	33	
Powell's Valley District.																				
Fincastle	2 50	1 30	5 65	3 25	1 60	2	12	100							35		15 00	20	2	
Jacksboro			2 75	3 70	1 33	3	18	120	60			90	16	21	5					
Clinton	4 00			4 05	2 81	3	48	360												
Huntsville	50			1 35	1 26	2	3	23	23											
Clear Fork				3 00	94															
Speedwell				2 75	99	2	12	60												
Tazewell	1 50			3 00	1 45		20	160							40					
Maynardville	1 15			2 12	86	1	8	40	18	12	10	37	8	22	24	59	2 00			
Rutledge				3 25	1 47	4	20	200												
Rogersville				50	20	1	9	32	20	10		25	15			100	12 00	10	1	
Rogersville Circuit				3 20	1 05	1	8	125												
Sneedville	1 00	5 00	20	2 70	72		3	15				12	3	12	1	100				
TOTAL	$10 65	$6 30	$8 60	$32 87	$14 68	19	161	1235	121	22	10	164	42	55	105	259	$29 00	30	3	

RECAPITULATION.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	*Collections, Etc.*					*Sunday Schools.*				
	Support of Bishops.	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Churches & Parsonages.	Claims for Ministerial Support.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.	Scholars fifteen years old & over.	Scholars under fifteen, except Infant Class.
Asheville District...	7 70	11 10	3 00	29 30	17 77	17	93	728	150	160
Chattanooga " ...	19 55	9 80	.....	49 43	33 78	35	208	1,623	575	412
Greeneville " ...	34 20	20 00	11 25	47 25	38 59	38	268	2,233	1032	600
Kingston " ...	8 25	10 00	7 00	19 70	10 19	36	178	1,110	135	130
Knoxville " ...	36 10	4 70	2 12	58 00	42 33	41	367	2,486	264	309
Powell's Valley " ...	10 65	6 30	8 60	32 87	14 68	19	161	1,235	121	22
Cleveland " ...	1 00	2 32	.....	8 50	7 26	21	68	636	65	82
Russellville " ...	1 30	1 45	16	13 69	4 07	25	96	1,117	370	345
GRAND TOTAL.....	$118 75	$65 67	$32 13	$268 74	$168 67	222	1439	11)68	2712	2060

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	*Sunday Schools.*									
	Scholars in Infant Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers and Scholars	Officers & Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	Scho'ars who are Church Members or Probationers	Conversions.	Library Books.	Total Expenses of School this Year.	Sunday School Advocates taken Weekly.	Sunday School Journals taken.
Asheville District...	25	235	48	167	161	.....	5 00	.....	.....
Chattanooga " ...	156	897	159	158	75	1287	128 00	100	52
Greeneville " ...	185	1433	207	666	204	1150	94 50	75	18
Kingston " ...	.....	125	24	70	60	1050	20 00	.....	.....
Knoxville " ...	152	1639	144	387	157	1056	180 30	175	33
Powell's Valley " ...	10	164	42	55	105	259	29 00	30	3
Cleveland " ...	53	121	31	59	42	175	16 30	.....	7
Russellville " ...	77	885	63	172	85	698	33 50	.....	.....
GRAND TOTAL.....	658	5399	718	1734	889	5675	$506 60	380	113

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